



## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

Federal Housing Finance Agency

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RE: Freedom of Information Act

Dear Ms. Best:

This letter responds to your May 29, 2019 request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. §552, which was received by the Federal Housing Finance Agency's Office of Inspector General (FHFA-OIG) on May 29, 2019. Your request has been assigned the tracking number 2019-FOIA-00012 and seeks the following information:

- **a copy of the list or printout or database listing of Inspector General investigations closed/reports completed during calendar year 2018. If the list is organized by FY rather than calendar year, the FY 2018 list is sufficient for this request. If no central list or database exists, then I request copies of the cover sheet or first page of each IG report completed during calendar year 2018.**

FHFA-OIG has conducted a search and has determined that it possesses **10** pages of records responsive to your request. These are attached.

Certain information contained in these records have been exempt and withheld under the following FOIA Exemptions:

- (b)(5), Permits withholding information under the deliberative process privilege, including the pre-decisional documents, or information that could be withheld under civil discovery, attorney-client, or attorney-work product privileges.
- (b)(7)(C), Permits withholding of records when an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy could reasonably be expected.
- (b)(7)(D), Permits withholding of records when revealing a confidential source or information provided by a confidential source could reasonably be expected.
- (b)(7)(E), Permits withholding of records when techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or process would be disclosed or provided such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of law.

This is the final decision on your request. You may contact me for any further assistance at [foia@fhfaoig.gov](mailto:foia@fhfaoig.gov). Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they

offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: *Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.*

If you are not satisfied with the response to this request and believe this decision denies your request in whole or in part, you may appeal it in writing within 90 days by writing directly to the FOIA Appeals Officer via electronic mail, mail, delivery service, or facsimile. Your appeal must cite the applicable tracking number(s) for the request(s) you contend to have been denied. Your appeal must include a copy of the request(s) you contend to have been denied, a copy of the decision letter, and a statement of circumstances, reasons, or arguments you believe support disclosure of the requested record(s). Your appeal must also be clearly marked "FOIA Appeal: FHFA-OIG." The electronic mail address is: [foia@fhfa.gov](mailto:foia@fhfa.gov). For mail or delivery service, the mailing address is: FOIA Appeals Officer, Federal Housing Finance Agency, 400 7<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Washington, DC 20219. The facsimile number is: (202) 649-1073. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of the response to your request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sheila Peden" above "fr".

Sheila Peden  
Acting FOIA Officer  
Attorney Advisor